

**GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS,
SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS**
Meeting Minutes – March 10, 2017

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met Friday, March 10, 2017 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Endsley Real, CSW, Vice-Chair
*Kathryn Klock-Powell, MFT
Ben Marion, CSW/MFT
Gerri Ann Robbins, MFT
Jack Perryman, LPC
Tommy Black, LPC
Bonnie Barker, LPC
(* Left meeting early)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Steve Livingston, MFT, Chair
Karen Warren-Rosas, MSW

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1
Linsey Brookins, Board Support Specialist
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor
Hope Harrison, Licensing Analyst

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE:

Betsy Cohen, Esq., AAG

VISITORS PRESENT:

Gale Macke, LPCA Executive Director
Karen Starks, NASW
Barbara Lewison, GSCSW
Margaret Downing, Guest
Deanna Dillard, Guest
Shannon Georzecink, Metropolitan Counseling Services
Augustina Anaekwe, LPC Applicant
Pamala Jackson-Rowe, LPC Applicant

Endsley Real, Vice- Chair, established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:38 a.m.

Agenda: Approved with additional items:

- Counselor National Licensure Exams: NCE & NCMHCE
- GA Jurisprudence (Laws and Rules) Exam

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, conduct applicant and investigative interviews, receive reports from the Boards Assistant Attorney General, the Professional Practices (Complaints) and the Professional Standards (Applications) Committees. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Real, Marion, Klock-Powell, Robbins, Perryman, Barker, and Black

Applications:

The separate Professional Standards Committees reviewed and made recommendations on all applications presented by the administrative staff.

Mr. Marion motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Clinical and Master Social Worker applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that the licenses can be issued upon the receipt of a passing exam score report. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Professional Counselor applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that the licenses can be issued upon the receipt of a passing exam score report. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Robbins motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to refer the Associate and Professional Counselor applications R.C. and D.D. to legal as recommended by the Board. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Associate and Marriage and Family Therapy applications as presented. In addition, the Board voted that the licenses can be issued upon the receipt of a passing exam score report. None opposed, motion carried.

PSC Committee: Applicant Interviews:

- H.W.

Recommendation:

Pending receipt of additional information

Renewal Committee Interview:

- R.N.H.

Recommendation:

Approve with conditions

Mr. Black moved, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations proposed by the committees for the Applicant Interviews as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Professional Practices Committee/Complaints:

Recommend Closure:

COMP170031, COMP170038, COMP170039, COMP170056, COMP170062, COMP170072, COMP170073, COMP170079, COMP170080, COMP170094,

Recommend Referral to AG's Office:

COMP140065, COMP160145, COMP170101

Recommend Investigative Interview:

COMP170085 & COMP170086

Investigative Interview Conducted:

COMP170073

Recommendation:

Close; Submit new application for Board review.

Pending Receipt of Additional Information:

COMP160110, COMP170057, COMP170070, COMP170075, COMP170088, COMP170089, COMP170091, COMP170092 and COMP170093

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Professional Practices Committee report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Assistant Attorney General's Report:

Written status and activity report presented for Board review.

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Marion seconded and the Board voted to accept the Voluntary Cease and Desist Order for Akil Rashid. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Other Matters:

- Case #COMP170060

Recommendation:

Board considered licensee's request to return to practice.

Mr. Marion motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to refer the matter to the AG's office for a private order with terms and conditions. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes:

- February 3, 2017
- February 28, 2017 Conference Call

Ms. Robbins motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 3, 2017 Executive Session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Robbins motioned, Mr. Perryman seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 28 2017 Executive Session C.C. Board meeting minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, March 10, 2017, Ms. Real declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

Full Board Appearances (Open):

- Pamala Jackson-Rowe
- Augustina Anaekwe
- Lindsey Brown
- Angela Bankston

Recommendation:

Denial Stands
Approve for Licensure
Denial Stands
Denial Stands

Mr. Black moved, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations proposed for the above appearances as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes:

- February 3, 2017 Board Meeting

- February 24, 2017 Joint Board Rules Committee
- February 28, 2017 Conference Call

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 3, 2017 Board Meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Barker seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 24, 2017 Joint Board Rules Committee meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Perryman motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to approve the February 28, 2017 Conference Call Board Meeting minutes as amended. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

- Application File Requests: Documents requesting to be released
 - Christopher Allen (CSW005372) – Release of Exam Scores
 - Nathalie Ellis (LPC004352) Release of Exam Scores
 - Caroline Miller (LPC007411) Release of Exam Scores
 - Jane Fanslow (LPC001875) Release Application docs to PA
 - Michael-Renee Godfrey (LPC006036) Release of Exam Scores
- Correspondence:
 - ASWB 2016 Exam Pass Rates
 - M. Bryant (MSW007483) Rule 135-11-.01 TeleMental Health
 - A. Callet (MSW006996) – Scope of Practice Questions
 - M. Frey – PC’s & Work Experience- Supervision
 - Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification
 - A. Holbrook (CSW003391) CE Provider: Pesi/CC

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Marion seconded, and the Board voted to approve the release of the file contents for C. Allen, N. Ellis, C. Miller, J. Fanslow, and M.R. Godfrey as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Board Staff to respond as directed to all other correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.

Rules Discussion:

- Rule 135-12.01 & .02 Testing and Assessments – *Discussion tabled*
- Rule 135-3-.04 Licensure by Endorsement
- Rule 135-5-.05 AMFT – *Discussion tabled*
- Rule 135-5-.06 MFT – *Discussion tabled*
- Rule 135-6-.06 Inactive Status

Rule 135-3-.04. Licensure by Endorsement

(1) The Board may license without examination any Professional Counselor or Marriage and Family Therapist currently licensed in another state or jurisdiction, so long as that other state or jurisdiction's requirements for the license in question are substantially equal to or greater than those in Georgia.

(2) The applicant must file a written application, and the non-refundable fee, for licensure by endorsement on Board approved forms available on the website: www.sos.ga.gov/plb/counselors.

(3) The applicant shall direct the licensure regulatory entity of the state or jurisdiction in which the license is held to complete and submit ~~Form N of the application~~ official verification of licensure which indicates that such license is in effect and in good standing.

Ms. Barker motioned, Mr. Black seconded, and the Board voted to submit the above proposed amendments as presented to Rule 135-3-.04 Licensure by Endorsement to the Attorney General's Office for a memo of statutory authority; to post the proposed rule amendments for the minimum thirty days required for public view and comment; with a public rules hearing/adoption to be scheduled the next available scheduled Board meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Rule 135-6-.06. Inactive Status

(1) Inactive licensure status is not available for Associate Professional Counselors or Associate Marriage and Family Therapist licensees.

(2) A licensee who does not intend to practice in Georgia and who therefore does not intend to practice or to use the title Professional Counselor, Social Worker, or Marriage and Family Therapist may apply to convert an active license to inactive status. An individual who holds an inactive license will not be required to renew their license or to satisfy the biennial renewal requirements.

(3) A license may remain inactive for no more than five (5) years from the date the status is converted to inactive by the administrative staff. If a licensee has not applied to reactivate their license before the five (5) year deadline, the license will be revoked for failure to reactivate.

(4) A person who holds an active license may apply for inactive status ~~in the following manner:~~ by submitting a completed, signed, notarized "Request for Inactive Status" application and fee (see fee schedule) to the Board prior to the September 30th expiration date of each even numbered year. Applications received after the expiration date of the license will not be accepted.

~~(a) Submit a completed, signed, notarized "Request for Inactive Status" application to the Board. There is no fee to apply for inactive status;~~

~~(b) Submit the license pocket card with the application.~~

(5) A person who holds an inactive license may apply to reactivate their license within five (5) years or less from date active status was converted to inactive status by the administrative staff in the following manner:

(a) Submit an Application for Reactivation;

(b) Submit the reactivation fee (see fee schedule); and

(c) Submit evidence that the licensee has obtained thirty five (35) hours of continuing education pursuant to Board rule 135-9 within two (2) years of the date of the application for reactivation.

(d) Upon receipt of the application, the fee and continuing education documents, and upon approval by the Board, the license will be reactivated.

(6) After five (5) years of inactive status, an Application for Reinstatement must be filed pursuant to Board rule 135-6-.04.

Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to submit the above proposed amendments as presented to Rule 135-6-.06 Inactive Status to the Attorney General’s Office for a memo of statutory authority; to post the proposed rule amendments for the minimum thirty days required for public view and comment; with a public rules hearing/adoption to be scheduled the next available scheduled Board meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Policies Discussion (Recension):

- IV. APC Applicants – Contract Affidavits
- XI. Withdrawn, Expired or Denied Applications
- XII. Extension Requests
- XIII. Inactive Status Request Fee

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to rescind the above referenced polices that were adopted by the full Board vote last meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Misc. Discussion (Late Agenda Items):

- LPC Licensure Exam: NCE – NCMHCE
The Board is in the process of discussion and creation of a policy to require of all applicants for licensure as an associate or professional counselor the passage of the NCMHCE versus the currently accepted NCE.
- Georgia Jurisprudence Exam
*The Board discussed the creation and implementation of a Georgia Jurisprudence Exam (or laws and rules exam) to be required in addition to the national exams currently required for licensure by each of the three specialties (professions).
Proposed Committee Members: Bonnie Barker, Endsley Real and Geri Ann Robbins*

Ms. Barker motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted for the designated committee members to move forward with the development and implementation of a Georgia Jurisprudence (Laws and Rules) exam for licensure in addition to the required national exams of each profession. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/8/2017

License No	Licensee
AMFT000475	Megan Janelle Drummond
AMFT000476	Aaron D Kirkwood
AMFT000477	Katherine Elizabeth Lancaster
AMFT000478	Karen Starook Barnes
AMFT000479	Deanna Linn Davis
AMFT000480	Praysha Renee' Malone
AMFT000481	Jennifer Terina Mejias
AMFT000482	Abigail Denise Stockman
APC005816	Victoria Megan Anderson
APC005817	Molly Ann Bengochea
APC005818	Suzett Delicia Blount

APC005819	Kristol Patricia Clark
APC005820	Terilynn Patterson Culverhouse
APC005821	Damaris Martinez Natola
APC005822	Laura Lynn Dichiera
APC005823	Susan Marie Duffell
APC005824	Jessica Jolais Edwards
APC005825	Katherine Barte Gigis
APC005826	Maureen Ann Grady-Morales
APC005827	Chelsea Lynn Hill
APC005828	Anthea M Johnson
APC005829	Shayne Ashley Moore
APC005830	Lauren Marie Natale
APC005831	Alicia A Porter
APC005832	Julie Ann Salitros
APC005833	Kimberly Ann Slape
APC005834	Dariea Elaine Stewart
APC005835	Terance Taylor
APC005836	Stella Marie White
APC005837	Ramona Wimberly
APC005838	Kaitlyn Hannah Landers
APC005839	Shaunda Louise Mejeur
APC005840	Luiz H Torreao
APC005841	Heather G Hunnicutt
APC005842	Lindsay Wiggins
APC005843	Janet L Flounory
APC005844	Daryl Karl Gessner
APC005845	Niyah A Glover
APC005846	Constance Tonya Johnson
APC005847	Shyda Nematollahi
APC005848	Jennifer Lee Nestor Cardwell
APC005849	Emily Anne Norris
APC005850	Teresa Lynn Rutledge
APC005851	Erika Malaisha Sledge
APC005852	Jasmine Shaun'na Hurst
CSW006001	Cherish Toccara Fields
CSW006002	Westly Marc Francois
CSW006003	Vanessa Louise Jones
CSW006004	Lindsey Mae Moretti
CSW006005	Alicia Lynne Simoni
CSW006006	Toni Tomberlin
CSW006007	Dalila Mesi Bass
CSW006008	Antwan Gilbert Aiken
CSW006009	LaTronya Hollingsworth
CSW006010	Lindsey Johanna Johnson
CSW006011	Sharal Ozim
CSW006012	Stacy Strickland Ekmark
CSW006013	Linda Jan Boothe
CSW006014	Evelyn Denise Allen

CSW006015	Meredith Quinn Huot de Saint-
CSW006016	Venita Alise Beaty
CSW006017	Marissa Liane Ezell
CSW006018	Stacey Smith Grimes
CSW006019	Whitney Aryn Pettigrew
CSW006020	Calandra Johnson Togba-Doya
CSW006021	Johanna Nicole Turner
LPC009422	Alexandria Suzanne Binkowski
LPC009423	Amber Bowers Moore
LPC009424	Kauri Renee' Tallant
LPC009425	Adam Williams
LPC009426	Amy Jill Barth
LPC009427	Julie K Berger
LPC009428	Laurie Lea Boerman
LPC009429	April Ann Brewer
LPC009430	Chiquita Renee Bryant
LPC009431	Darcelle Denise Burandt
LPC009432	Erin Alexandra Burton
LPC009433	Ashley Marie Carr
LPC009434	Priscilla Ngum Cheng
LPC009435	Monica Lynn Evra
LPC009436	Shawna Gaye Tiffany Fagon
LPC009437	Kesha Yvette Greene
LPC009438	Ivie Elizabeth Gulbrandson
LPC009439	Heidy Margarita Guzman
LPC009440	Caryn Andrene Haire
LPC009441	Jennifer Marie Harbin
LPC009442	Jessica Lesley Hiller
LPC009443	Karen Cole Kallis

LPC009444	Michael Geoffrey Kenyon
LPC009445	Woodrina Arvise Layton
LPC009446	Calita James Madry
LPC009447	Georgia Magdalene Pritchard
LPC009448	Kathryn Marks Raskin
LPC009449	Elizabeth Grace Reaves
LPC009450	Haley Godwin Reed
LPC009451	Marisa Isabel Romo
LPC009452	Monica Lynn Stalvey
LPC009453	Sharron Latrice Sylvain
LPC009454	Cathy Mary Traynor
LPC009455	Shannon Renard Wilkerson
LPC009456	Latisha Lovelle Woods
LPC009457	Nickia S Lowery
LPC009458	Julian Rafferty McCullough
LPC009459	Katherine LeNai Sheppard
LPC009460	Shelley Amanda Lauzon

LPC009461	Talisha Gaye Carter-Moody
LPC009462	Marcus Jamarro Green
LPC009463	William Earl Scales
LPC009464	Shelley Tashina Smith
LPC009465	Seketa Niche' Bing-Nelson
LPC009466	Avadawn Faith Deroux
MFT001527	Ansley Melissa Campbell
MFT001528	Diana Denise Cortina-Rodriguez
MFT001529	Jaquita Briana Shorts
MFT001530	Katie Herndon Pope
MFT001531	Keireny Shannon Brady
MFT001532	Debra Olene Brooks
MFT001533	Julia Anne Redman
MSW007719	Virginia Louise Blessing
MSW007720	Jade Marie Howser
MSW007721	Mary Elizabeth Lett
MSW007722	Kimberly Dawn Marketto
MSW007723	Rhea Caroline Mascoll
MSW007724	Laura Gerard Massengale
MSW007725	Julia Michelle Packer
MSW007726	Elke Raynelis Perez
MSW007727	Brittany Michelle Garner
MSW007728	Kristen Dianne Guckian
MSW007729	Ashlyn Tatiana Virginia Johnson
MSW007730	Tiffany Alexis Johnson
MSW007731	Virginia Lea Jones
MSW007732	Sarah Carolyn Morrison
MSW007733	Renee Tina Polytarides
MSW007734	Chaliava Yapi
MSW007735	Lauren Traci Exume

MSW007736	Varie F Hayes
MSW007737	Consuela Maria Henry
MSW007738	Caroline Mae Johnson
MSW007739	Dominique Nicole Mack
MSW007740	Robert Matthews Wilson
MSW007741	Glenn Howard Ritchie
MSW007742	Sally Jane Terrell
MSW007743	Ashley Janay Jackson
MSW007744	Nicole Denise Jackson
MSW007745	Mandy Marie Stone
MSW007746	Joella Ann Walker
MSW007747	Jana Leigh Woodiwiss-Geter
MSW007748	Raziya Malene Abraham
MSW007749	Samantha Dyar
MSW007750	Carol Elizabeth Ross

MSW007751	Shanelle LaQuita Brown-Best
MSW007752	Lynnay Marie Carona
MSW007753	Ashley Renata Smith
MSW007754	LaTandria Sha'net Smith
MSW007755	Carrie Elizabeth Williams

Mr. Black motioned, Mr. Marion seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Application Ratify List of licenses issued between Board meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Associations – Board Update

Association updates were provided by Ms. Gale Macke, Executive Director of LPCA, Karen Starks with NASW and Barbara Lewison with GSCSW.

With no additional Board business requiring discussion, Mr. Black motioned, Ms. Robbins seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today’s meeting at 3:33 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Brookins, BSS, HC-1

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1

STEVE LIVINGSTON

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: **April 7, 2017**